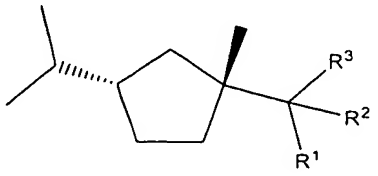
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims

1. (currently amended) ~~The use of~~ A method for using a compound as a fragrance, the method comprising:
using a compound of formula Ia and [[the]] an enantiomer thereof as a fragrance, wherein the compound of formula Ia is described by the chemical structure:

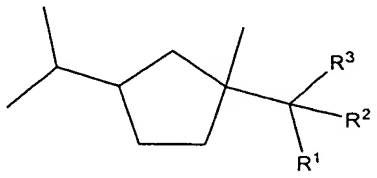


Ia (1*R*,3*S*)-

wherein
R^1 is at least one of hydrogen or methyl;
R^2 is hydrogen; and
R^3 is hydroxyl; or
R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

2. (currently amended) The ~~use as fragrance of a compound according to claim 1~~ method according to claim 1, wherein the compound of formula Ia and the enantiomer thereof are ~~selected from the group consisting~~ at least one of [(1*R*,3*S*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]methanol, [(1*S*,3*R*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]methanol, 1-[(1*R*,3*S*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanone, 1-[(1*S*,3*R*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanone, 1-[(1*R*,3*S*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanol [[and]] or 1-[(1*S*,3*R*)-3-isopropyl-1-methylcyclopentyl]ethanol.

3. (currently amended) ~~The use as fragrance of a compound of formula I~~ A method for using a compound as a fragrance, the method comprising:
using a compound of formula I enriched in an enantiomer having formula Ia, as a fragrance, wherein the compound of formula I is described by the chemical structure:



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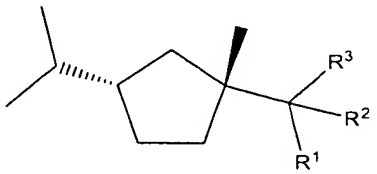
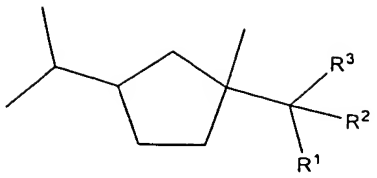
~~enriched in the enantiomer having the formula Ia~~ wherein the enantiomer having formula Ia is described by the chemical structure:



I a (1*R*,3*S*)-

~~wherein R^1, R^2 and R^3 have the same meaning as given in claim 1~~
wherein
R^1 is at least least one of hydrogen or methyl;
R^2 is hydrogen; and
R^3 is hydroxyl; or
R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

4. (currently amended) ~~The use as fragrance of a compound of formula I~~A method for using a compound as a fragrance, the method comprising:
using a compound of formula I enriched in the enantiomer having formula Ib, as a fragrance,
wherein the compound of formula I is described by the chemical structure:



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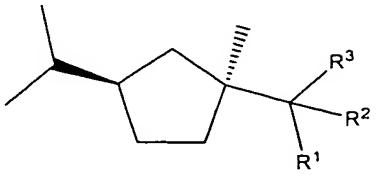
~~enriched in the enantiomer having the formula Ib~~ wherein the enantiomer having formula Ib is described by the chemical structure:



Ib (1*S*,3*R*)-

~~wherein R^1, R^2 and R^3 have the same meaning as given in claim 1~~

wherein

R^1 is at least one of hydrogen or methyl;

R^2 is hydrogen; and

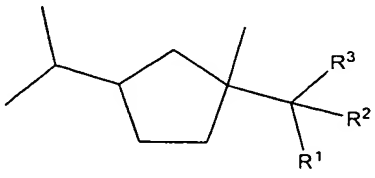
R^3 is hydroxyl; or

R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

5. (currently amended) ~~The use of a compound as defined in one of the preceding claims in fragrance applications~~ A method for using a compound as a fragrance, the method comprising:

using at least one compound of formula I, Ia, or Ib in a fragrance application,

wherein the compound of formula I is described by the chemical structure:



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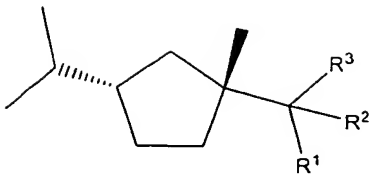
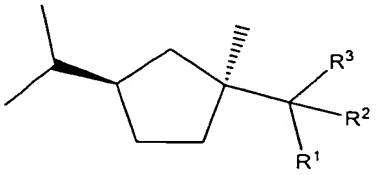
wherein the compound of formula Ia is described by the chemical structure:



I a (1*R*,3*S*)-

wherein the compound of formula Ib is described by the chemical structure:



Ib (1*S*,3*R*)-

wherein

R^1 is at least one of hydrogen or methyl;

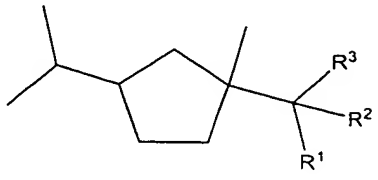
R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

6. (currently amended) A fragrance application comprising a compound ~~as defined in any of the preceding claims 1—4~~ of at least one of formula I, Ia, or Ib

wherein the compound of formula I is described by the chemical structure:



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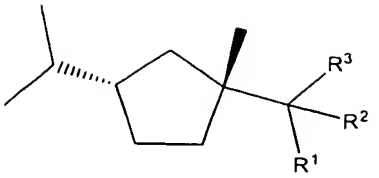
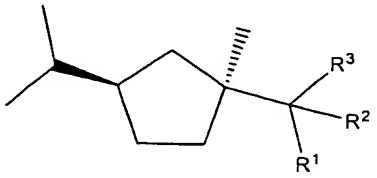
wherein the compound of formula Ia is described by the chemical structure:



Ia (1*R*,3*S*)-

wherein the compound of formula Ib is described by the chemical structure:



Ib (1*S*,3*R*)-

wherein

R^1 is at least one of hydrogen or methyl;

R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

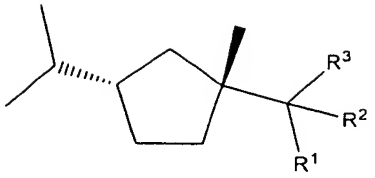
R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

7. (currently amended) [[A]] The fragrance application according to claim 6, wherein the fragrance application is ~~a~~ at least one of perfume, household product, laundry product, body care product, or cosmetic ~~products~~ product.

8. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a fragrance application, the method comprising: ~~the step of~~

incorporating a compound of formula Ia or its enantiomer, ~~as defined in claim 1, 2, 3, and 4~~

wherein the compound of formula Ia is described by the chemical structure:



Ia (1*R*,3*S*)-

wherein

R^1 is at least one of hydrogen or methyl;

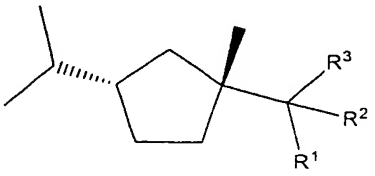
R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

9. (currently amended) A compound comprising:

a compound of formula Ia, wherein the compound of formula Ia is described by the chemical structure:



Ia (1*R*,3*S*)-

wherein

R^1 is at least one of hydrogen or methyl;

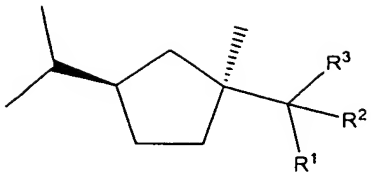
R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.

10. (currently amended) A compound comprising:

a compound of formula Ib, wherein the compound of formula Ib is described by the chemical structure:



Ib (1*S*,3*R*)-

wherein

R^1 is at least one of hydrogen or methyl;

R^2 is hydrogen; and

R^3 is hydroxyl; or

R^2 and R^3 form together with the carbon atom to which they are attached a carbonyl group.